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Applicant : Kennedy, *et al.*  
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**OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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MAIL STOP AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 6, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this submission.


(WP270117;1)

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile transmission to MAILSTOP AF, Commissioner for Patents at 571-273-8300 on

December 6, 2005  
Date

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